



Students' Senate (2014-15)
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Anurag Sahay | Chairperson



Minutes: 5th Meeting of the Students' Senate, 23rd September, 2014

The 2014-15/5th Meeting of the Students' Senate (2014-15) was held on Tuesday, 23rd September, 2014 in the Senate Hall, New SAC. It was called to order by the Chairperson, Students' Senate at 8:50 PM.

The Agenda items were taken up for consideration.

Item No. 1	To confirm the Minutes of the following meetings: i. 2014-15/3 rd (Special) Meeting
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The Minutes of the Meetings had been circulated by the Chairman, Students' Senate before the Meeting. The following modifications were made to the Minutes:

- The list of new Senators in Item No. 4 of the Minutes was amended to remove the posts "Head, Events", "Head, Events (Show M)" and "Head, Marketing" that had been put there by mistake.
- In Item No. 6, under "**Student Members, Department Undergraduate Committee**" the name of Ishita Gupta (13317) was added to the list for the Department of Biological Sciences and Biological Engineering.
- The Attendance Record of Mr. Mohammad Mahmood, Senator, MTech Y13 was changed from "Absent#" to "Present".

The Minutes were confirmed by the Senate with the above changes.

Item No. 2	Announcements and Remarks, if any
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There were no announcements and remarks.

Item No. 3	To consider the Action Taken Report.
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the Report on Action Taken on the basis of the decisions taken by the Students' Senate from 2012 to 2014 for the consideration of the Senate. In the course of the presentation the following decisions were taken:

- The Senate appointed Mr. Samyak Jain, Senator, UG Y13 to pursue the proposal to have an Ayurvedic consultant at the Health Centre on behalf of the Senate.



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- The Senate noted that Item No. 3 of the ATR regarding Virtual Classrooms has been implemented by the Institute in some form. Thus, the Senate decided that this Action shall be considered completed, and shall be removed from the ATR.
- The Senate desired that Item No. 4 of the ATR regarding the proposal to keep a section of the Library open for 24 hours at all times be pursued until the proposed Students' Lounge in the LHC is constructed.
- In Item No. 5 of the ATR regarding the proposal to have a joint meeting of the Students' Senate and the Faculty Forum, the Senate decided that the proposal be re-temized for discussion as an Agenda item in the next regular meeting of the Senate.
- In Item No. 11 of the ATR, the committee to consider the status of contingency funding of PG students was reconstituted with the following members:
 - Arun Karthik B (Chair) Senator, PhD
 - V. Srinivasan Chairman, Students' Senate (2013-14)
 - Alok Ranjan General Body Member
 - Manu Kanchan General Body Member
 - Yajur Kumar Senator, MTech Y14
 - Himesh Anand Senator, MBA, MDes and Other Eq. Programmes Y14

With the above caveats, the Action Taken Report was accepted by the Senate.

Item No. 4	To consider, for approval and acceptance, the following pre-conduction reports of Udghosh'14: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Festival conduction reportb. Marketing reportc. Proposed budgetd. Security reporte. Special Task Force
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The pre-conduction reports of Udghosh'14 were presented by the Festival Coordinator, Udghosh'14 for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted the festival conduction report, the proposed budget and the security report. The Senate further constituted the following Special Task Force:

- Himanshu Pandey (10300)
- Sohil Bansal (10327721)



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- V. Srinivasan (11103167)
- Karthik Balasundaram (10103066)
- Shreyansh Singh (11698)
- Abhay Gupta (11006)
- Suraj Pratap Singh (11747)
- Chinmay Nema (11222)
- Rohan Bansal (11608)
- Jai Prakash Menaria (11330)
- Abhimanyu Arora (11013)
- Anurag Sahay (11141)
- Vibhu Mohan Bajpai (11797)
- Ankur Singh (10327082)
- Nivesh Goel (10327468)
- Kanak Agrawal (10336)

Item No. 5	To consider the elections of the postgraduate members or Senate nominees of the following standing committees and councils of the Students' Senate: <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Steering Committeeii. Rules and Procedures Committeeiii. Postgraduate Students' Academic Council (PGSAC)
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This item was deferred for consideration in the next meeting.

Item No. 6	To consider the proposed allocation of Finance Committee members to the various festivals.
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the following proposed allocation of Finance Committee members to the various festivals:

- Antaragni'14 : Pranay Jain
- Techkriti'15 : Avish Rana
- Udghosh'14 : Amitansh Gupta



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The Senate discussed the agenda at length. After discussion, the Senate decided to vote by show of hands, wherein, by a simple majority, the Senate decided to accept the allocation as proposed by the Chairperson.

Item No. 7	To consider, for ratification, the name of Executive, Media and Publicity, Cultural Council.
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The Senate ratified the name of Nitish Kumar (12456) for the post of Executive, Media and Publicity in the Cultural Council as proposed by the General Secretary, Cultural Council.

Item No. 8	To consider automation in the processes of the Students' Gymkhana.
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The item was presented in detail by the Chairperson for the consideration of the Senate. After discussion, the Senate decided to constitute an ad-hoc subcommittee to look into the processes of the Students' Gymkhana and suggest mechanisms by which they may be automated. The members of the committee were as follows:

- Gautam Pratap Singh (Convener) General Body Member
- Ajay Sharma General Body Member
- Manikanta Reddy Senator, UG Y13
- Sohil Bansal General Body Member
- Gaurav Kumar Senator, MTech Y14

The committee was directed to submit its report as soon as possible.

Item No. 9	To consider the proposal to expand the usage of mailing lists for official purposes by the Institute.
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The item was deferred for consideration in the next meeting.

Item No. 10	To consider the update on the proposal for a remedial programme for academically deficient students, and the action to be taken thereof.
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The Chairperson presented the item in detail for the consideration of the Senate.

It was recalled that in the 2013-14/8th Meeting, the Students' Senate had accepted, in principle, a proposal for a remedial programme for academically deficient students, and had empowered the UGSAC to take the final decision regarding the same. The UGSAC had



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considered and modified the proposal, which had been sent to the SUGC for consideration. It was recalled that the proposal had, in its current form been rejected by the SUGC, pursuant to further data. In response to this, the Students' Welfare Cell under the President, Students' Gymkhana had organized a diagnostic survey of the first year UG students during the Orientation programme to gather relevant data.

The Chairperson further informed the Senate that a new proposal had been formulated in consultation with the Dean, Academic Affairs and the Director.

The Senate noted the above updates and reiterated its stand that the creation of a remedial programme was absolutely necessary.

The Senate further empowered the UGSAC to deliberate over the proposals and decide a final proposal on behalf of the Senate, for further consideration by the Institute.

Item No. 11	To consider, for ratification, the names for the Security team of Udghosh'14.
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The following names were ratified by the Senate:

Principle Security Officers	Sumit Chaudhary	11737
	Virendra Rathore	13112031
	Amit	12095
	Sanjay George	13125046
	Dileep Rathore	13253
	Smit Biswal	11719
	Chandrakanta	12209
	N. Sridurga	12440
	Preksha Gupta	12511
	Garima	13273
Senior Security Officers	Kapil Sethi	13339
	Ajay Choudhary	13052
	Prince Kumar	13511
	V. Sanjeev Babu	13801
	Ankush Dixit	13125
	Subhash Saini	13715
	Harshit Saini	13296
	Rahul Sharma	13535



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Item No. 12	To consider the Finance report of Techkriti'14.
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The Finance report was not submitted by the Head, Finance on time. The item was deferred for the next meeting.

Item No. 13	To consider the updated Finance report of Antaragni'13.
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The updated Finance report was presented by the Festival Coordinator, Antaragni'14 on behalf of the Head, Finance, Antaragni'13 for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted the report as presented, and noted that the deficit will be covered as decided in Item No. 14 of the 2014-15/2nd (Special) Meeting of the Senate..

Item No. 14	To consider the resignation of the Festival Chairman of Antaragni'14 and the action to be taken thereof.
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate informed the Senate that Dr. Satyaki Roy had resigned as the Festival Chairman of Antaragni'14. The Senate was further informed that Dr. J. Ramkumar, faculty member of FAC-A had been officiating as Acting Festival Chairman.

The Senate decided that the Festival Coordinators will submit the proposed name of a faculty member for the new Festival Chairman to the Senate over the mailing list, which will then be forwarded by the Chairperson to the Patron, Students' Gymkhana provided there are no objections.

Item No. 15	To consider the issue pertaining to the scheduling of academic activities on weekends and gazetted holidays.
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This item was deferred for consideration in the next meeting.

Item No. 16	To consider the student representation in the Institute Advisory Committee.
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The President, Students' Gymkhana presented the item in detail for the consideration of the Senate.

It was recalled that the President, Students' Gymkhana is, *ex-officio*, the only student member in the Institute Advisory Committee. The President proposed that the IAC be expanded and that the Chairperson, Students' Senate also be made a member of the IAC.



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The Senate discussed the proposal and agreed that keeping in mind the hefty obligations and responsibilities of the President, and the increase in the strength of the student body in the past few years it is necessary to expand the student representation in the IAC. Thus, the Senate decided that a request shall be sent by the President, Students' Gymkhana to the Director & Chairman, IAC that the IAC be expanded and the Chairperson, Students' Senate also be made a member of the IAC.

Item No. 17	To consider, for ratification, the name of the Secretary, Students' Senate.
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The Senate ratified that name of Vedant Goenka (13777) for the post of Secretary, Students' Senate as proposed by the Chairperson, Students' Senate.

Item No. 18	To consider the proposal to review the working and functioning of the clubs and hobby groups of the Executive Councils.
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Senator, UG Y11, Mr. Anurag Sahay presented the following proposal to review the working and function of the clubs and hobby groups of the Executive Councils. He proposed that:

- A list of all clubs and hobby groups be presented by each General Secretary and the President for their respective Councils.
- Further, the General Secretary/President should submit their opinion of the functioning of the clubs and hobby groups, along with recommendations as to whether they should be promoted, demoted or removed.

The Senate accepted the proposal and decided that the President and General Secretaries shall present the above as part of their Mid-Term Reports in November and End-Term Reports in March.

Item No. 19	To consider the issue pertaining to the selection process of Associate Deans.
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This item was deferred for consideration in the next meeting.

Item No. 20	Questions and Remarks, if any.
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The following questions and remarks were raised:



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- Mr. Harpreet Singh, Senator, UG Y13 asked the General Secretary, Cultural Council about issues relating to the Treasure Hunt organized by the Literary Society and Quiz Club. The General Secretary, Cultural Council informed the Senate that he had investigated the claims and discovered that there was some truth to them. Mr. Harpreet Singh was instructed to raise the issue as an agenda item if he wanted the Senate to discuss it.
- The Chairperson, Students' Senate informed the Senate that the General Secretary, Science and Technology Council had informed him that he would not be able to assist the Festival Coordinator of Techkriti'15 as decided in Item No. 11 of the 2014-15/3rd Meeting of the Students' Senate. The Chairperson informed that the same shall be itemized as an agenda item in the next meeting.

	Any other item, with the permission of the Chair
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No other agenda item was received.

The Meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson, Students' Senate at 11:30 PM.



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Attendance Record

The attendance record is:

- Total Strength of the Senate : 62
- Total number of Senators present : 40
- Total number of Senators absent : 22
- Absent without notification : 18
- Absent with permission : 2

The detailed attendance record is as follows:

Sl.No.	Name	Post	Attendance
1	Anurag Sahay	Chairperson, Students' Senate	Present
2	Abhimanyu Arora	President, Students' Gymkhana	Present
3	Shalin Mandowara	General Secretary, Cultural Council	Present
4	Shivendu Bhushan	General Secretary, Science and Technology Council	Present
5	Chirag Agarwal	General Secretary, Games and Sports Council	Present
6	Chetan Kumar Garg	General Secretary, Films and Media Council	Present
7	Ashwani Kumar Munnangi	Senator, PhD	Present
8	Ahmed Sameer	Senator, PhD	Absent#
9	Syed Moiz Ali	Senator, PhD	Absent#
10	Ankita Singh	Senator, PhD	Absent*
11	Imran Khan	Senator, PhD	Absent#
12	Sandeep Kumar	Senator, PhD	Present
13	Charchit Kumar	Senator, PhD	Absent#
14	Mohd. Amir	Senator, PhD	Absent#
15	Gopal Sharain Parashari	Senator, PhD	Absent#
16	Arun Karthik B.	Senator, PhD	Present



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17	Amarjit Kene	Senator, PhD	Absent#
18	Vipin Kumar Jain	Senator, PhD	Absent#
19	Abhijeet Swain	Senator, PhD	Absent#
20	Javed Akhtar	Senator, PhD	Present
21	Akash Pushkar	Senator, MTech Y13	Absent#
22	Mohammad Mahmood	Senator, MTech Y13	Present
23	Gyanesh Kumar Singh	Senator, MTech Y13	Present
24	Gaurav Kumar	Senator, MTech Y14	Present
25	Shrishti Gautam	Senator, MTech Y14	Absent#
26	Yajur Kumar	Senator, MTech Y14	Present
27	Mohd. Asim Khan	Senator, MBA, MDes and Other Equivalent Programmes Y13	Present
28	Himesh Anand	Senator, MBA, MDes and Other Equivalent Programmes Y14	Present
29	Hemant Patel	Senator, UG Y10 (5 Year)	Present
30	Mohd. Dawood	Senator, UG Y10 (5 Year)	Absent#
31	Avish Rana	Senator, UG Y10 (5 Year)	Absent*
32	Amitanshu Gupta	Senator, UG Y11	Absent#
33	Anuj Kukreja	Senator, UG Y11	Absent#
34	Jai Prakash Menaria	Senator, UG Y11	Present^
35	Pranay Jain	Senator, UG Y11	Present
36	Shrey Agarwal	Senator, UG Y11	Absent
37	Vibhu Mohan Bajpai	Senator, UG Y11	Absent#
38	Rishikesh Mishra	Senator, UG Y11	Present
39	Arjun Singh	Senator, UG Y12	Absent#
40	Ashwani Roy	Senator, UG Y12	Absent#
41	Balendu Shekhar	Senator, UG Y12	Present



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42	Chahat Bajpai	Senator, UG Y12	Present
43	Pushapjeet Singh	Senator, UG Y12	Absent#
44	Sabyasachi Verma	Senator, UG Y12	Present^
45	Saurabh Aggarwal	Senator, UG Y12	Present
46	Vishal Goyal	Senator, UG Y12	Present
47	Arpan Agarwal	Senator, UG Y13	Present
48	Ashutosh Ranka	Senator, UG Y13	Absent
49	Manikanta Reddy D.	Senator, UG Y13	Present
50	Harpreet Singh	Senator, UG Y13	Present
51	Kush Gupta	Senator, UG Y13	Present^
52	Rishabh Jain	Senator, UG Y13	Present
53	Ritika Mulagalapalli	Senator, UG Y13	Present
54	Samyak Jain	Senator, UG Y13	Present
55	Arshil Abbas	Senator, UG Y14	Present
56	Ashutosh Kumar	Senator, UG Y14	Present
57	Dhruv Bhanot	Senator, UG Y14	Present
58	Gaurav Seth	Senator, UG Y14	Present
59	Hari Shankar	Senator, UG Y14	Present
60	Mayank Varshney	Senator, UG Y14	Present
61	Nikhil Bansal	Senator, UG Y14	Present
62	Pooja Yadav	Senator, UG Y14	Present

* – Absent with permission

– Absent without notification

^ – Present (Nominee)